

Rio Arriba County Detention Center (RACDC) POLICY 071: INMATE DINING

The Rio Arriba County detention Facility shall have procedures for the distribution of meals.

Procedure:

- 1. Inmates in the dorms shall dine in small groups around the tables in the day room area.
- 2. Inmates in A-pod and C-pod will alternate meals served in the common day room area.
- 3. The Housing unit control officer shall keep a log indicating which tier of the pods the meals had distributed inside their cells and which tier had the meals served in the common area.
- 4. Every meal shall be alternated.
- 5. Meals shall be distributed to each area by a cook, a detention officer and the number of inmate trustees required serving the meals.
- 6. The detention staff shall allow inmates enough time to enjoy their meals, but in no case will it ever be more than one hour.
- 7. In both A-pod and C-pod, one tier will have the inmates served in their cells and shall alternate every meal.
- 8. Maximum security inmates that are in segregation shall be served inside of their cells.
- 9. Meals shall not be held from inmates as a form of punishment.
- 10. Inmates not responding when meal distribution is done will not get their meals until the next serving.
- 11. Inmates that are out of the facility during meal distribution shall be saved a meal whenever possible.
- 12. Inmates that are scheduled for court will be given a sack lunch.